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To the Winchcombe Rural District Council

Gentlemen

For the years 1916 & 1917 I have been instructed by the Local Government Board to make only interim reports to you on any important Sanitary matter that might occur. It was also suggested that such report should not be printed but that it might be type written.

No special forms or tables have been issued.

During 1916 nothing at all of any interest or importance from a Sanitary point of view occurred and consequently my present report will include 1916 & 1917

In 1916 there were 112 Births (8 of which were illegitimate. this is equal to a birth rate of 12.6 per 1000 (a very poor birth rate indeed) there were 120 deaths which is equal to a death rate of 13.6 per 1000 this is nearly 3 per 1000 less than for 1915. twelve of the deaths were infantile — this is equal to 107.1 ~~[illegible]~~ per 1000 children born (a very high infantile death rate for a Country district). there was no death from any

Zymotic disease.

In 1917 there were 114 births (8 of which were illegitimate) This is about the same Birth rate as for 1916 viz 12.6 per 1000.

The deaths were 136 equal to a death rate of 15.3 per 1000 - an increase of nearly 2 per 1000 on 1916

There were 9 Infantile deaths which is equal to an Infantile death rate of 78.9 per 1000

~~This is the highest rate ever attained in this District~~

~~Two things may have helped to cause~~

~~1 The severe winter 1916-1917~~

~~2 The high price of milk & of food generally~~

There were 2 deaths from Zymotic disease, Each of them from acute anterior poliomyelitis. Neither case had any Connection whatsoever with the other. I could not trace the source of infection in Either case.

In the parish of Cutsdean situate in the County of Worcester there has been one birth (illegitimate) & no death during the 2 years.

There have been notified under the Infectious diseases notification act in 1916. 65 Cases

in 1917. 41 Cases (65 of these have been measles)

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The schools have been Closed as follows.

1916

Snowshill from Sep 25 to Oct 23 for Whooping Cough
Laverton & Buckland " Oct 4 to Oct 23 " Scarlet Fever

1917

Stanton from ~~Ap~~ March 15 to Apr 16. for Whooping Cough
Dumbleton " Oct 29 to Nov 19 " Scarlet Fever
Gotherington " Oct 31 to Dec 3 " General illnesses
Bishops Cleeve " Nov 12 to Nov 26 " Impetigo

I beg to remain
Gentlemen
Your obedient Servant
Jn C A
Mott.

Winchcombe
Feb 2-18